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SUBJ: US-JAPANESE CONSULTATIONS ON LATIN AMERICA

1. ARA DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY DANIEL SZABO MET AUG. 22 WITH MESSRS. MURATA AND ONO OF THE JAPANESE EMBASSY TO DISCUSS UPCOMING CONSULTATIONS WITH THE JAPANESE FOREIGN OFFICE ON LATIN AMERICAN ISSUES. WE INDICATED THAT ASST. SECRETARY KUBISCH, DEPUTY ASST. SECRETARY SHLAUDEMAN, DEPUTY COORDINATOR FOR LA KLEINE, AND SZABO ALL PLANNED TO PARTICIPATE. WE PROPOSED DISCUSSIONS BE HELD ONE AND ONEHALF DAYS (THREE SESSIONS) DURING WEEK OF OCTOBER 22, WITH US TO HOST LUNCH, PROBABLY FOLLOWING FIRST SESSION. MR. MURATA SAID HE DID NOT BELIEVE THERE WOULD BE ANY PROBLEM WITH THIS DATE, BUT SAID HE WOULD HAVE TO CONTACT HIS FOREIGN OFFICE TO OBTAIN APPROVAL, AND TO LET US KNOW WHO LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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WOULD ATTEND ON THEIR SIDE.

- 2. ON AGENDA, WE SUGGESTED THAT JAPANESE FOREIGN OFFICE SUBMIT ANY SPECIAL ISSUES WHICH THEY WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS UNDER THREE BASIC TOPICS:
- A. GENERAL POLITICAL OVERVIEW OF US AND JAPANESE RELATIONS WITH LATIN AMERICA;
- B. POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC TRENDS IN SELECT GROUP OF LA COUNTRIES;
- C. ECONOMIC (TRADE AND INVESTMENT) AND DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE.
- 3. MR. MURATA INDICATED THAT MOST CERTAINLY CHILE AND CUBA WOULD BE AMONG THOSE COUNTRIES OF MOST INTEREST TO HIS GOVERNMENT. HE BELIEVED THAT ONLY FOREIGN OFFICE OFFICIALS LIKELY PARTICIPATE ON THEIR SIDE.
- 4. WE AWAIT REPLY FROM JAPANESE FOREIGN OFFICE ON THE SCHEDULE AND AGENDA AND WILL KEEP EMBASSY INFORMED OF DEVELOPMENTS. WE WOULD APPRECIATE ANY COMMENTS EMBASSY MIGHT HAVE AS TO POINTS THEY WOULD LIKE US TO STRESS RE JAPANESE RELATIONS WITH LATIN AMERICA DURING THIS CONFERENCE. RUSH

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